



**DECLARATION (37 CFR § 1.63) AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, and

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **AN AUTOREGULATORY SYSTEM FOR VALIDATING MICROBIAL GENES AS POSSIBLE ANTIMICROBIAL TARGETS USING A TETRACYCLINE-CONTROLLABLE ELEMENT**, Docket No. 6137.P US, the specification of which

- ☐ is attached hereto.
- ☐ was filed on as Application Serial No. and was amended on .
- ☒ was filed on 12 January 1999 as PCT International Application No. PCT/US99/00371 and was amended under PCT Article 19 on , if applicable.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 USC § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

Application Serial No.	Filing Date (Day/Month/Year)
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Information to be completed if claiming priority of PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(s)

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 USC § 119(a)-(d), or § 365(b), of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or § 365(a) of any PCT International Application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT International Application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Application Serial No.	Country	Filing Date (Day/Month/Year)	Priority Claimed (Yes/No)
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 USC §120, of any United States application(s) or PCT International Application(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 USC §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(a), which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application  
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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